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For: SCANNING MICROSCOPE HAVING A  
MIRROR FOR COUPLING-IN A  
MANIPULATING LIGHT BEAM

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the office action dated May 2, 2006 received in the above-identified application, please amend the above-identified application as follows: